
NO. 475
SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS
REGIONAL COUNCIL
June 1, 2006

Minutes

THE FOLLOWING MINUTES ARE A SUMMARY OF ACTIONS TAKEN BY THE REGIONAL COUNCIL. AUDIO CASSETTE TAPE OF THE ACTUAL MEETING IS AVAILABLE FOR LISTENING IN SCAG'S OFFICE.

The Regional Council of the Southern California Association of Governments held its meeting at the Marriott Hotel, City of Marina del Rey, California. The meeting was called to order by the President, Supervisor Yvonne Burke, County of Los Angeles. There was a quorum.

Members Present

Hon. Yvonne B. Burke, President, Los Angeles County	
Hon. Chris Norby, Orange County	
Hon. Jon Edney, El Centro	District 1
Hon. Greg Pettis, Cathedral City	District 2
Hon. Bonnie Flickinger, Moreno Valley	District 3
Hon. Ron Roberts, Temecula	District 5
Hon. Lee Ann Garcia, Grand Terrace	District 6
Hon. Deborah Robertson	District 8
Hon. Lawrence Dale, Barstow	District 11
Hon. Paul Glabb, Laguna Niguel	District 12
Hon. Richard Dixon, Lake Forest	District 13
Hon. Leslie Daigle, Newport Beach	District 14
Hon. Christine Barnes, La Palma	District 18
Hon. Marilyn Poe, Los Alamitos	District 20
Hon. John Beaman, Brea	District 22
Hon. Paul Bowlen, Cerritos	District 23
Hon. Gene Daniels, Paramount	District 24
Hon. David Gafin, Downey	District 25
Hon. Judy Dunlap, Inglewood	District 28
Hon. Tonia Reyes-Uranga, Long Beach	District 30
Hon. Stan Carroll, La Habra Heights	District 31
Hon. Margaret Clark, Rosemead	District 32
Hon. Keith Hanks, Azusa	District 33
Hon. Paul Talbot, Alhambra	District 34
Hon. Mike Ten, South Pasadena	District 36
Hon. Harry Baldwin, San Gabriel	District 35
Hon. Paula Lantz, Pomona	District 38
Hon. Paul Nowatka, Torrance	District 39
Hon. Jim Aldinger, Manhattan Beach	District 40

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Hon. Pam O'Connor, Santa Monica	District 41
Hon. Todd Campbell, Burbank	District 42
Hon. Dennis Washburn, Calabasas	District 44
Hon. Glen Becerra, Simi Valley	District 46
Hon. Carl Morehouse, San Buenaventura	District 47
Hon. Bernard Parks, Los Angeles	District 55
Hon. Thomas Buckley, Lake Elsinore	District 63
Hon. Debbie Cook, Huntington Beach	District 64
Hon. Tim Jasper, Apple Valley	District 65
Hon. Lou Correa, Orange County	OCTA
Hon. Keith Millhouse, Moorpark	VCTC

Members Not Present

Hon. Judy Mikels, Ventura County	
Hon. Victor Carrillo, Imperial Valley	
Hon. Zev Yaroslavsky, LA County	
Hon. Jeff Stone, Riverside County	
Hon. Toni Young, Port Hueneme, Immediate Past President	District 45
Hon. Gary Ovitt, 1st Vice President, San Bernardino County	
Hon. Ron Loveridge, Riverside	District 4
Hon. Larry McCallon, Highland	District 7
Hon. Paul Eaton, Montclair	District 9
Hon. Alan Wapner, Ontario	District 10
Hon. Richard Chavez, Anaheim	District 19
Hon. Art Brown, Buena Park	District 21
Hon. Isadore Hall, Compton	District 26
Hon. Frank Gurule, Cudahy	District 27
Hon. Rae Gabelich, Long Beach	District 29
Hon. Tom Sykes, Walnut	District 37
Hon. Mike Dispenza, Palmdale	District 43
Hon. Ed Reyes, Los Angeles	District 48
Hon. Wendy Greuel, Los Angeles	District 49
Hon. Tom LaBonge, Los Angeles	District 51
Hon. Jack Weiss, Los Angeles	District 52
Hon. Tony Cardenas, Los Angeles	District 53
Hon. Alex Padilla, Los Angeles	District 54
Hon. Jan Perry, Los Angeles	District 56
Hon. Greig Smith, Los Angeles	District 59
Hon. Eric Garcetti, Los Angeles	District 60
Hon. Janice Hahn, Los Angeles	District 62
Hon. Antonio Villariagosa, Los Angeles	At-Large
Hon. Robin Lowe, Hemet	RCTC

Staff Present

Mark Pisano, Executive Director
Jim Gosnell, Deputy Executive Director
Wayne Moore, Chief Financial Officer
Bert Becker, Interim Chief Financial Officer
Karen Tachiki, Chief Counsel
Colin Lennard, General Counsel
Hasan Ikhata, Director, Planning & Policy
Keith Killough, Director, Information Services
Shelia Stewart, Executive Assistant

1.0 CALL TO ORDER & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Led by Councilmember Richard Dixon, City of Lake Forest.

2.0 PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

Kim Fuentes, South Bay Cities' Council of Governments presented comments and concerns from cities within the South Bay area on the RHNA Pilot Program.

3.0 CONSENT CALENDAR

The following consent calendar items were MOVED (Garcia), SECONDED (O'Connor) and UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED:

3.1 Approval Items

- 3.1.1 Minutes of May 4, 2006 Meeting
- 3.1.2 Faster Freight Cleaner Air Funding of Congressional Conference
- 3.1.3 Authorize Execution of Transit Operator Agreements
- 3.1.4 Authorization for Extension of Cooperative Agreement between Caltrans and SCAG
- 3.1.5 Adopt Resolution #06-475-1 authorizing submittal of FTA Grants through the Transportation Electronic Award Management System
- 3.1.6 Adoption of Final Audit Appeal Process

3.2 Receive & File

- 3.2.1 Purchase Orders/Contracts between \$5,000 - \$250,000
- 3.2.2 CFO Monthly Financial Report
- 3.2.3 State and Federal Legislative Matrix

4.0 **PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

4.1 **Executive Committee Report**

- Compensation and salary adjustment for Executive Director

The Executive Committee met however there was nothing to report at this time. The item was tabled.

Supervisor Norby expressed concerns regarding providing input on the evaluation process of the Executive Director. President Burke announced that members are welcome to provide input. Comments should be forwarded to the Executive Committee prior to the next meeting of the Executive Committee.

4.2 **Appointments**

Regional Council District Election Results

District # 42 Hon. Todd Campbell, Burbank (Re-elected)

Subregional Representatives to Policy Committees

From Arroyo Verdugo Subregion

To CEHD: Hon. Laura Olhasso, La Canada Flintridge

To EEC: Hon. Joyce Streater, Pasadena

To TCC: Hon. Dave Spence, La Canada Flintridge

Audit Subcommittee

Hon. John Beaman, Brea

Hon. Paula Lantz, Pomona

Compass Partnership

Hon. Patrick J. Morris, San Bernardino

Goods Movement Task Force

Bill Jones, US EPA, Region 9

Personnel Committee

Hon. Bonnie Flickinger, Moreno Valley

Hon. Paul Eaton, Montclair

4.3 **Announcement of election of Chairs & Vice Chairs**

TCC - Hon. Harry Baldwin, San Gabriel (chair); and Hon. Bonnie Lowenthal (Vice Chair)

CEHD - Hon. Paul Bowlen, Cerritos (chair); and Hon. Jon Edney, El Centro (Vice Chair)

EEC - No election for lack of a quorum - this item should be placed on next month's agenda.

Admin - Election to be conducted in July

- 4.5 President Burke welcomed Andrew Marcel, Sr., Native American representative from the Pechanga Tribal Council.

5.0 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

5.1 Infrastructure Bond & Trailer Bill Summary Presentation

On May 5, 2006, the legislature passed four infrastructure bond bills to which, upon the Governor's signature, will go before the voters on the November ballot. The bond measures provide in total **\$37.3285** billion dollars statewide for infrastructure development, contained within four separate bonds in the following amounts: Transportation – \$19.925 billion (SB 1266); Housing - \$2.85 billion (SB 1689); Education - \$10.416 billion (AB 127); Flood Protection - \$4.09 billion (AB 140)

Much of the funding for transportation will be allocated by the CTC and, for housing, will be administered by the State HCD Department. Subsequent "trailer" legislation for transportation and housing will also determine substantial portions of the funding allocations provided by these bonds.

6.0 ACTION ITEMS

6.1 Administration Committee Report

6.1.1 KPMG Audit

Chris Ray, KPMG, gave an overview on the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report ending June 30, 2005 as well as highlighting the restatement adjustments. Bert Becker stated that the management letter and single audit report were not included, however there is a draft that is expected to be ready by July 2006 meeting. This item will return will be brought back for comments in July.

6.2 Transportation & Communications Committee (TCC) Report No report.

6.3 Energy & Environment Committee (EEC) Report

Councilmember Washburn, Chair, stated that at the request of the Solid Waste Task Force the EEC discussed two bills. AB 2176 – this bill focuses on local mandate reimbursement, and AB 2296 - focuses on the closure of solid waste landfills that requires a plan for the ultimate disposition of the property.

(EEC) Report –Cont’t

He reported that there is no opposition at the Assembly level and it doesn't appear that there will be opposition from the Senate. The EEC could not take action due to lack of a quorum however recommended that the RC support AB 2196 and AB 2296.

It was MOVED (Clark), SECONDED (Washburn) and UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.

6.4 Community, Economic & Human Development Committee (CEHD) Report

6.4.1 RHNA Proposed Pilot Program

The pilot program provides SCAG with the opportunity to undertake an alternate RHNA process which would demonstrate the viability of utilizing 20 year housing planning consistent with the Regional Transportation, Air Quality and the Regional Compass Blueprint growth vision.

Hasan Ikhrata gave an overview as well as a slide show presentation that outlined the following:

1) The State Housing Element Law; 2) The RHNA Pilot Program's key features; and 2) The Comparison which incorporates the Determination of Needs, Length of Process, Allocation Process, Allocation by Income, Regional Fair Share; Planning Time Frame; Linkage to Regional Transportation Plan/Compass Trade/Transfer.

After the presentation it was recommended that the Regional Council (RC) approve the development of the RHNA Pilot Program.

It was MOVED and SECONDED.

Councilmember Dixon offered an amendment to the recommendation. He stated that in lieu of forming a Housing Task Force, he recommended that the standing regional/subregional task force be expanded to include some members from the Plans & Programs Technical Advisory Committee as well as members of the CEHD committee. This group would remain the Pilot Program. In addition the RC should not move forward with the RHNA proposal, until the task force and RC are both satisfied that all comments as well as concerns have been addressed.

It was MOVED (Dixon), SECONDED (Bowlen) and UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.

Mark Pisano stated that the meeting of the Technical Advisory Committee will be held on June 15 from 10 a.m. – 12 noon. He suggested that the regional/subregional task meet after this meeting from 12 noon – 2 p.m. Lunch would be provided.

6.5 **Communications & Membership Subcommittee Report**

The 2006-2007 edition of “Your Guide to SCAG” is almost ready to print and will be available shortly. This is a primer and will be written for all audiences.

Members are working with staff to develop a process for recognizing exemplary service to SCAG by elected officials. The Subcommittee will be working on developing an “Event Calendar for the Year”

6.6 **Southwest Compact Task Force Report**

Councilmember Edney stated that the recently held Bi-National conference co-hosted by SCAG has attracted a lot of interest, particularly Baja, Mexico. In addition SANDAG has agreed to participate. An action plan which will be designed to identify the short term, mid-term and long term outcomes will be initiated at the task force June 22nd meeting. RC members were encouraged to attend.

Councilmember Dixon stated that the federal lobbyist indicated at the Executive Committee that SCAG should conduct a National Goods Movement Conference. He recommended that SCAG host an International Goods Movement Conference that would include Mexico, Kern County COG, SANDAG as partners. There was a consensus that staff should begin working out details.

It was MOVED (Dixon), SECONDED (Edney) and UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.

7.0 **INFORMATION ITEMS**

7.1 **Responses to SCAG Request for Proposal (RFP) Solicitations**

Bert Becker stated that a question was raised by Councilmember Lantz regarding the number of proposals that were being received in response to Request for Proposals (RFPs). A document was prepared and included in the agenda addressed the concerns. Mr. Becker concluded by saying that an open and fair contracting process is critical to ensure a highly competitive procurement environment. This is a continual concern of the staff and requires constant monitoring and innovation to make sure it happens.

8.0 LEGAL COUNSEL REPORT

No closed session was held.

9.0 FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Councilmember Robertson stated that the CEHD was concerned that meeting agendas do not allow adequate amount of time for discussions. The CEHD recommended that an item be placed on the agenda that would approve establishing a task force to review this issue.

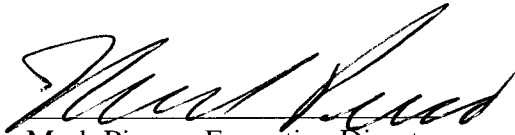
Councilmember Washburn asked that an analysis of AB 2015 be prepared and the impact it may cause (regarding the State cable franchise and the issue of opening up to others - other than cable operators).

10.0 ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were no announcements at this time.

11.0 ADJOURNMENT

The next meeting of the Regional Council is scheduled for July 6, 2006 at SCAG offices downtown Los Angeles.



Mark Pisano, Executive Director